

HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION

Tuesday, June 19, 2007

10:30 a.m.

519 House Office Building

Representative Melton, Chair, called the meeting to order.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Representatives Melton, Valentine, Angerer, Brown, Byrum, Clack, Corriveau, Dean, Hopgood, Lindberg, Meisner, Miller, Polidori, Scott, Moolenaar, Emmons, Hoogendyk, Pearce, Hildenbrand, Schuitmaker, Knollenberg and Opsommer.

Representative Miller moved to approve the minutes of the June 12, 2007 meeting.

There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

The Chair laid HB 4087 before the committee.

HB 4087 Hammon Higher education; housing; smoking in dormitories; prohibit.

Representative Hammon testified in support of HB 4087.*

Doug Borruso representing the Michigan Osteopathic Association testified in support of HB 4087.*

Carrie Janiski and Cameron Patthanachroenphon, medical students at Michigan State University, testified in support of HB 4087.

The following people submitted cards in support of HB 4087, but did not wish to speak:

Susan Schechter, representing the America Lung Association,
Katherine Knoll, representing the American Heart Association,
Melissa Yutzey, representing the Michigan Fire Service Coalition,
Curtis Hertel Jr., representing the Department of Community Health,
Judy Stewart, representing the American Cancer Society,
Louise Somalski, representing the American Federation of Teachers of Michigan.

No further action was taken on HB 4087.

The Chair laid HB 4924 before the committee.

HB 4924 Melton Education; school districts; operating a school or any educational program outside district boundaries; prohibit without written consent.

Calvin Cupidore Jr., Christopher Northcross and Jesse Petway, representing the School District of the City of Pontiac, testified in support of HB 4924.

The following people submitted cards in support of HB 4924, but did not wish to speak:

Brad Biladeau, representing the Michigan Association of School Administrators,
Don Olendorf, representing the Michigan Small and Rural Schools,
Bill Tunncliffe, representing the Middle Cities Education Association,
Louise Somalski, representing the American Federation of Teachers of Michigan,
Becky Rocho, representing the Calhoun Intermediate School District,
Kathleen Merry, representing the Wayne Regional Education Service Agency,
Brian Whiston, representing the Oakland Intermediate School District,
Matt Tomasiewicz, representing the Intermediate School Districts of Kalamazoo, Muskegon and
Ottawa,
Joan Sergent, representing the Tri-County Alliance of Superintendents,
Don Wotruba, representing the Michigan Association of School Boards.

Karen Miller, Wanda Cook-Robinson and Margaret Hall, representing the Southfield Public Schools,
testified in support of HB 4924.

Dan Quisenberry, representing the Michigan Association of Public School Academies, testified and
indicated a neutral position on HB 4924.

Representative Valentine moved to report out HB 4924 with recommendation.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 22-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Melton, Valentine, Angerer, Brown, Byrum, Clack, Corriveau,
Dean, Hopgood, Lindberg, Meisner, Miller, Polidori, Scott, Moolenaar, Emmons, Hoogendyk,
Pearce, Hildenbrand, Schuitmaker, Knollenberg and Opsommer,

Nays: None,

Pass: None.

HB 4924 reported out with recommendation.

Representative Moolenaar moved to excuse absent members.

There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

MEMBERS ABSENT/EXCUSED: Representative Steil.

The Chair laid SB 70 before the committee.

SB 70	Cassis	Education; teachers; date for implementation of requirement for current teachers to receive certain training concerning reading problems; extend to July 1, 2008.
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Lisa Hansknecht, representing the Michigan Department of Education, testified in support of SB 70.

The following people submitted cards in support of SB 70, but did not wish to speak:

Kristin Fair and Anne Blankenhorn, representing Senators Cassis' Office,
Louise Somalski, representing the American Federation of Teachers of Michigan.

James Cipielewski, representing Oakland University and the Michigan Alliance of Reading Professors, testified and indicated a neutral position on SB 70.

Representative Polidori offered the following amendment to SB 70:

1. Amend page 3, line 10, after "July 1," by striking out "**2008**" and inserting "**2009**".

Representative Polidori moved to adopt the amendment to SB 70.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 21-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Melton, Valentine, Angerer, Brown, Byrum, Clack, Corriveau, Dean, Hopgood, Lindberg, Meisner, Miller, Polidori, Scott, Moolenaar, Emmons, Hoogendyk, Hildenbrand, Schuitmaker, Knollenberg and Opsommer,

Nays: None,

Pass: None.

Representative Dean moved to report out SB 70 as substitute (H-1) with recommendation.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 21-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Melton, Valentine, Angerer, Brown, Byrum, Clack, Corriveau, Dean, Hopgood, Lindberg, Meisner, Miller, Polidori, Scott, Moolenaar, Emmons, Hoogendyk, Hildenbrand, Schuitmaker, Knollenberg and Opsommer,

Nays: None,

Pass: None.

SB 70 (H-1) reported out with recommendation.

The Chair laid SB 188 before the committee.

SB 188	Van Woerkom	Education; vocational; definition of vocational education and use of vocational education funds; revise, and allow certain acquisition of equipment.
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Jeff Cobb, representing Senator VanWoerkom's Office, testified in support of SB 188.

Brad Biladeau, representing the Michigan Association of School Administrators, testified in support of SB 188.

The following people submitted cards in support of SB 188, but did not wish to speak:

Kate McAuliffe, representing the Michigan Association of School Administrators, Region 8,
Don Olendorf, representing Michigan Small and Rural Schools,

Don Wotruba, representing the Michigan Association of School Boards,
Becky Rocho, representing the Calhoun Intermediate School District,
Dave Ladd, representing the Northern Michigan Schools Legislative Association,
Matt Tomasiewicz, representing the Intermediate School Districts of Kalamazoo, Muskegon and
Ottawa,
Louise Somalski, representing the American Federation of Teachers of Michigan,
Brain Whiston, representing the Oakland Schools.

Jeanine Benedict, representing the Department of Labor and Economic Growth, submitted a card
indicating a neutral position on SB 188.

The committee went at ease at 12:10 p.m.

The committee reconvened at 12:15 p.m.

The Chair laid HB 4797 and HB 4798 before the committee.

HB 4797	Melton	Retirement; public school employees; provision regarding health care benefits of teachers; revise.
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HB 4798	Johnson	Retirement; public school employees; conforming language to amend section; provide for.
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Nick Ciaramitaro, representing the Michigan Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees,
Council 25, testified in opposition to HB 4797.

The committee returned to the consideration of SB 188.

Representative Valentine offered the following amendment to SB 188:

1. Amend page 10, line 5, after “**NOT LATER THAN**” by striking out “**AUGUST 1, 2007**” and inserting “**JANUARY 1, 2008**”.

Representative Valentine moved to adopt the amendment to SB 188.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 21-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Melton, Valentine, Angerer, Brown, Byrum, Clack, Corriveau,
Dean, Hopgood, Lindberg, Meisner, Miller, Polidori, Moolenaar, Emmons, Hoogendyk, Pearce,
Hildenbrand, Schuitmaker, Knollenberg and Opsommer,

Nays: None,

Pass: None.

Representative Corriveau moved to report out SB 188 as substitute (H-3) with recommendation.

The motion prevailed by a vote of 21-0-0.

FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:

Yeas: Representatives Melton, Valentine, Angerer, Brown, Byrum, Clack, Corriveau, Dean, Hopgood, Lindberg, Meisner, Miller, Polidori, Moolenaar, Emmons, Hoogendyk, Pearce, Hildenbrand, Schuitmaker, Knollenberg and Opsommer,

Nays: None,

Pass: None.

SB 188 (H-3) reported out with recommendation.

The committee returned to HB 4797 and HB 4798.

Kim Rhead, representing the Michigan Association of Retired School Personnel, testified in opposition to HB 4797 and HB 4798.

Louise Somalski, representing the American Federation of Teachers of Michigan, submitted a card in opposition to HB 4797 and HB 4798, but did not wish to speak.

Don Olendorf, representing the Michigan Small and Rural Schools, submitted a card indicating a neutral position on HB 4797 and HB 4798, but did not wish to speak.

The following people submitted cards in support of HB 4797 and HB 4798, but did not wish to speak:

Don Wotruba, representing the Michigan Association of School Boards,
Brain Whiston, representing the Oakland Schools,
Becky Rocho, representing the Calhoun Intermediate School District,
Brad Biladeau, representing the Michigan Association of School Administrators,
Robert Lefevre, representing the Macomb Intermediate School District,
Kathleen Merry, representing the Wayne Regional Education Service Agency.

No further action was taken on HB 4797 and HB 4798.

With no further business to come before the committee, the Chair adjourned the meeting, the time being 1:06 p.m.

Representative Tim Melton, Chair

Ben Cook
Committee Clerk
June 19, 2007
2 hours 36 minutes

Date Approved and Signed

* indicates written material submitted.